

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application Hiroki Koyano, *et al.*
of:

Confirmation No.: 9274

Application No.: 10/692,502

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Examiner: Coles, Edward L.

For: INFORMATION PROCESSING
 APPARATUS HAVING A
 CAPABILITY OF HALTING A
 PRINTING PROCESS FOR OFF-
 LINE PROCESSING, AND
 METHOD AND PROGRAM FOR
 CONTROLLING PRINTING
 PROCESS INCLUDING
 HALTING THE PRINTING
 PROCESS FOR OFF-LINE
 PROCESSING

Art Unit: 2625

Commissioner for Patents
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified application, please enter the Preliminary Amendment as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.